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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize
the line item veto.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PLATTS (for himself and Mr. ANDREWS) introduced the following joint
resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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States to authorize the line item veto.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
8 States within seven years after the date of its submission
9 for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “In the case of any bill, order, resolution, or vote
3 which is presented to the President under section 7 of Ar-
4 ticle I, the President may decline to approve in whole any
5 dollar amount of discretionary budget authority, any item
6 of new direct spending, or any tax benefit. A matter which
7 the President declines to approve under this article of
8 amendment shall be returned with his objections to the
9 House in which it originated, and shall be treated in the
10 same manner as a bill which the President returns without
11 signing under section 7 of Article I.”.

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